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HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of
3 Representatives are pleased to congratulate the University of
4 Illinois Extension-Cook County on the occasion of the 100th
5 anniversary of its founding; and

6 WHEREAS, The Smith-Lever Act of 1914 codified into federal
7 law, and provided funding outreach endeavors at the Land-Grant
8 Universities founded by the Morrill Act of 1862; the
9 appropriation for Cooperative Extension as established by
10 Smith-Lever was unique in that it set up a shared partnership
11 among federal, state, and county levels of government; a
12 formula funding mechanism was designed to insure that there was
13 support from each of the levels to help the fledgling system
14 achieve stability and leverage resources; and

15 WHEREAS, The original formula called for federal funding to
16 be divided in the following manner: 20% shared by all states in
17 equal proportions, 40% shared in the proportion that the rural
18 population of each bears to the total rural population of the
19 several states as determined by the census, and 40% shared in
20 the proportion that the farm population of each bears to the
21 total farm population of the several states as determined by
22 the census; and

1 WHEREAS, The original formula called for federal funding to
2 be divided in a manner based on the agrarian society; in the
3 1980s, the University of Illinois Extension-Cook County
4 responded to societal problems which included urban issues; the
5 Extension's funds were comprised of 47% State funds, 32%
6 federal funds, and 18% local funds; and

7 WHEREAS, The University of Illinois Extension-Cook County
8 continues to provide residents with programs to address urban
9 issues, and in the 1990s, the expansion of urban areas
10 increased; therefore, be it

11 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
12 NINETY-EIGHTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that
13 we recognize the continued work the University of Illinois
14 Extension-Cook County does to address the educational programs
15 for the residents of Cook County, congratulate it on its 100th
16 anniversary, and declare May 2014 as a month of celebration;
17 and be it further

18 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
19 presented to the University of Illinois Extension-Cook County
20 as a symbol of our respect and esteem.